

Meeting Agenda

Northeastern Great Basin Resource Advisory Council (RAC)

Thursday, May 15, 2014

BLM Battle Mountain District Office, 50 Bastian Road, Battle Mountain, Nevada

8:00 a.m.	Welcome and Introductions	Jeff White RAC Chairperson Rosemary Thomas BLM Ely District Manager/ Designated Federal Official
8:15 a.m.	Housekeeping	Crystal Cowan RAC Coordinator
8:25 a.m.	Public Comment	Jeff White RAC Chairperson
8:45 a.m.	Depart for field tour *	Doug Furtado BLM Battle Mountain District Manager
10:30 a.m.	Tour McGinness Hills Geothermal Power Plant/ Overview of sage grouse populations & mitigation	Tim Coward BLM Tonopah Field Manager Ethan Ellsworth BLM Mount Lewis Biologist Jeremy Lutz Nevada Department of Wildlife
11:30 a.m.	Lunch (one hour) **	
12:45 p.m.	Sage grouse priority habitat upland site: Discussion re sage grouse monitoring results (McGinness Hills)/ juniper mitigation efforts	Ethan Ellsworth Nevada Department of Wildlife Pinion-
2:15 p.m.	Willow Barton Exclosure: Discussion re drought management/ sage grouse issues	Adam Cochran, BLM Resource Management Spec. Ethan Ellsworth BLM Mount Lewis Field Office Biologist Jeremy Lutz Nevada Department of Wildlife
3:30 p.m.	Adjourn	Jeff White RAC Chairperson

** Public participants are required to have their own transportation. A high-clearance, 4Wheel Drive vehicle is recommended. Please make sure that the gas tank is full before departing on the tour. The BLM recommends participants dress appropriately for outdoor conditions. Please check the weather forecast prior to the meeting.*

***Lunch is not provided.*